

# STEADY BOOMING OF CANNON AND THE ROAR OF EXPLODING DYNAMITE CONTINUED FOR HOURS WHILE EVERY EFFORT WAS MADE TO SAVE THE CITY

Sixth and Folsom streets yesterday afternoon. At least a dozen persons were trampled to death. One man was gored through by a maddened bull.

Steps are being taken to prevent extortion. Heavy shipments of bread reached the city early to-day and a number of open air bakeries were established. Rations from Mare Island Navy Yard and the Presidio are being transferred to the city and will soon be in shape for distribution.

The docks from Howard street to Folsom street have been saved and are accessible. Thousands through the water front, carrying their belongings in all sorts of bundles, clamoring for a chance to get across the bay. Nearly every Chinaman left alive in the city has fled or is on his way.

## THEY'RE ALREADY CLEARING UP!

The work of clearing up the debris has already begun at the water front in the business section. One hundred men were employed this morning under the direction of the Street Department.

For miles through the park and along the beaches from Ingleside to the sea wall at North Beach the homeless are camped in tents, makeshifts rigged up from a few sticks of wood and a blanket or sheet. Some few of the more fortunate secured vehicles on which they loaded regulation tents and therefore are more comfortably housed than the great majority.

Golden Gate Park and the Panhandle look like one vast camping-ground. It is said that fully 100,000 persons, rich and poor alike, sought refuge in Golden Gate Park alone, and 200,000 more homeless ones located at the other places of refuge.

## RICH MEN HELP TO BURY THE DEAD.

Out at the Presidio soldiers pressed into service all men who came near the Presidio and forced them to labor at burying the dead. So thick were the corpses piled up that they were becoming a menace, and early in the day the order was issued to bury them at any cost.

The soldiers were needed for other work, so, at the point of rifles, the citizens were compelled to take to the work of burying. Some objected at first, but the troops stood no trifling, and every man who came in reach was forced to work at least one hour. Rich men, unused to physical exertion, labored by the side of workmen digging trenches in which to bury the dead. At the present writing many still remain unburied, and the soldiers are still pressing men into service.

A launch ventured out from the Oakland water front and made the run as far as the Gate. The bay is overhung with smoke, but the wind blew a rift as they passed the Western Addition, which stands on the hills skirting the bay. Through this rift the passengers could see sporadic fires in a dozen places and the little black forms of men fighting the flames without water.

Men, women and children have been rushing or staggering under heavy loads of luggage, some to the ferries at the water front in the hope of getting to Oakland and the east side of the bay; others to the hills, Golden Gate Park, the ocean beach, the Presidio and San Mateo Bay. The trip to the hills and to the water front was one of terrible hardship.

## DRINK FROM MUDDY POOL.

Famishing women and children and exhausted men were compelled to walk seven miles around the north shore in order to avoid the flames and reach the ferries.

At Powell and Market streets a small stream of water spouted up through the cobblestones and formed a muddy pool. At this pool hundreds of people knelt and drank, women as well as men. In many places men took as many bottle fillings as they could carry out of groceries, but few succeeded in getting away with them. Wherever the soldiers saw a man with a bottle of liquor they forced him to give it up at the point of the bayonet and immediately smashed the bottle on the ground.

The regular City Hospital so far out of town that it must be spared, is crowded, even to mattresses on the floors. Many bodies were left in the ruins of the Valencia Hotel, on Seventeenth and Valencia streets, and they will now be consumed in the flames. In fact, this must happen all over the city.

Any one who knows San Francisco must realize that in the first tumble of the tenement-house district south of Market street many little, crazy structures must have gone by the board. Each of these probably buried its two or three victims, and now the hot rush of flames has gone over the district, so that bodies will be consumed utterly.

It is unlikely that any one will ever know just how many people were killed.

## EVEN PARK REFUGES IN RUINS.

Not even the parks, the camping ground of the desolate city last night, have been spared. Golden Gate Park is topped by a round hill, at the top of which there stood a great, open arcade, used as a playground for the children. This is ruins, and the roof of the tropical conservatory, the pride of the park system, is down. In Union Square, where stood the St. Francis Hotel and where many people slept last night before the flames reached it, the Dewey Monument, a high shaft of granite and bronze, has shifted from its base and is leaning like the Tower of Pisa. The troops kept people away from it all last night.

There were louder reverberations along the fire line last night and to-day, and it is believed from this that the supplies of ammunition and cordite from the Presidio have been commandeered and that the troops and the few remaining firemen are making their last stand at about Van Ness avenue, which crosses the residence district, to save what remains of the Western Addition.

The soldiers are enforcing the rule against moving about except to escape the flames, and no one absolutely can enter the city who has once left. The horror of the situation here has spread to Oakland. National Guardsmen, realizing the danger caused by the refugees piling up in Oakland, have put the town also under practical martial law. Rooms in hotels would sell at ten times their regular prices were there any to sell. There are few instances of extortion in this respect; the people in their present temper would not stand it. But every few minutes there float through the suburbs into town those processions of miserable, smoke-blackened, haggard, weeping people which make the town a real hell.

## PROSPEROUS HAVE BECOME HOBOES.

Now and then one can recognize some man, dressed like a tramp, dirty, dragging a miserable woman, as a prosperous business man or a sleek clerk whom you have known in San Francisco. They come in hungry, mainly penniless, fairly begging something to eat from the public kitchens which the soldiers have set up in the streets. Public halls, the basements of churches and the squares have been set apart for their use. Such houses not yet wrecked by fire are being used for the sick, the wounded and the scorched who are arriving every hour.

In addition to those injured by falling walls and by fire, many frail women and delicate children have broken down with exhaustion and with actual disease caused by the exposure. One woman was dragged from park to park since the first shock. Finally she got out by boat, dying with her newborn child; a man suffering from internal injuries succumbed on the way over.

The well and hearty are crowding the open country and the heights about Lake Merritt. Still, the after feeling of the great shock is over them all. They seem to fear houses and low lands, remembering that time when the earth seemed to be going away from them. The slightest vibration of a house stiffens people like an electric shock, and the slight swaying which follows the explosions of dynamite is wearing out the nerves.

People are crying, praying, muttering to themselves on the streets, and no one pays any attention.

## MILLIONAIRES PALACES SUCCUMB.

When flames attacked Nob Hill the district in California street, from Powell to Jones street, containing the most palatial residences in San Francisco, firemen abandoned all hope of saving San Francisco.

At the southeast corner of California and Powell streets, on the brink of the hill, was the Stanford residence, which, upon the death of Mrs. Stanford, became the property of Leland Stanford, Jr. University. It contained many treasures, all of which were destroyed.

On the southeast corner of the same block was the home of the late Mar Hopkins, who amassed millions with Stanford, Collins P. Huntington and Charles Crocker in the construction of the Central Pacific Railroad. The Hopkins house was presented to the University of California by his heirs and it was known as the Hopkins Art Institute.

Across California street from these was the Fairmont Hotel, which had been in course of construction for more than two years and was nearly ready for occupancy. It was seven stories high, of white stone, and occupied an entire block.

## 300,000 HOMELESS NEED IMMEDIATE RELIEF, WIRES GOVERNOR PARDEE, OF CALIFORNIA.

(Special to The Evening World.)

SEATTLE, April 20.

Mayor Moore to-day received the following message from Gov. Pardee, of California, relative to conditions in San Francisco:

"Three hundred thousand people shelterless and in need of food. Can you send help? Assistance is imperative."

## IMPOSSIBLE TO GUESS THE NUMBER OF DEATHS

Correspondent Who Has Been Over Ground  
Says Estimates Vary from 300 to 20,000  
—Property Loss \$500,000,000.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 20.—A special to the Star from Oakland, written last night by Albert Miller, a staff correspondent who had just returned from San Francisco after making the rounds of the business district, says:

"How many are dead as a result of this tremendous catastrophe cannot ever be approximately told. Estimates have attained currency and credence that vary from minimums of 300, to incredible maximums of 20,000. Undoubtedly greater than the first figure, yet it seems impossible that the total deaths can possibly reach the larger aggregate."

## NOT POSSIBLE TO TELL LOSS.

"It is not humanly possible for any one, whatever his opportunity of observation, however, excellent his judgment, to do more now than submit his individual guess. For instance there was a lodging-house—the New Brunswick, at Sixth and Mission. It collapsed from the first earthquake shock. One man intimately acquainted with that lodging-house and its business, asserts that 600 were in this house when, with the roof, the walls crashed into the cellar. He says all the inmates of the house were killed. Another man declares that the lodgers at the house numbered only 200."

"A visit to the smoking ruins on the site yielded not one illustrative fact. All that district, from the manufacturing plants near the bay front and extending thence to the west on the south side of Market, was occupied by small retail establishments and lodging-houses, a section densely populated and similar to New York's tenement-house district. Undoubtedly many died in this district."

"It will be long before the miles of debris can be cleared up, and the exact number of dead may never be known."

## PROPERTY LOSS HALF A BILLION.

"The destruction of property has been incredible, and here it is likely that the loss will exceed estimates heretofore made. A fire-insurance patrol official, who knew accurately the burned district, in talking of the situation last night, put the loss up to that time at half a billion dollars."

"He reasoned thus: That total premiums paid for fire insurance in San Francisco is more than \$3,200,000. The average rate, he said, was 1 per cent, as low as sixty and seventy hundredths in many parts of the burned districts. At 1 per cent the value of the property insured throughout the whole city was \$320,000,000. Making allowance for the lower rate in the business section for uninsured property and uninsured values, he placed the computed total loss at \$500,000,000."

## FOOD SUPPLIES AT MARE ISLAND NAVY YARD.

Tinned corn beef.....	30,738 lbs.	Coffee, ground.....	10,550 lbs.
Tinned roast beef.....	20,800 lbs.	Rice.....	5,241 lbs.
Salted beef.....	51,000 lbs.	Beans.....	4,700 gals.
Salted pork.....	74,000 lbs.	Canned tomatoes.....	10,237 lbs.
Biscuits.....	20,837 lbs.	Other Vegetables.....	60,417 lbs.
Tinned mutton.....	17,026 lbs.	Macaroni.....	18,300 lbs.
Hams.....	11,415 lbs.	Pickles.....	18,660 lbs.
Salmon.....	10,447 lbs.	Sundries.....	100,000 lbs.

This represents the immediately available food relief for 300,000 homeless and hungry refugees. The wholesalers' warehouses of San Francisco having been destroyed.

## MAYOR'S COMMITTEE PLANS FOR RELIEF WORK

At the organization of the Committee of One Hundred to collect and forward relief funds to San Francisco this afternoon many notables were present, including Archbishop Farley and Rabbi Silverman.

Mayor McCallan, in calling the gathering to order, said he had in his mind \$100,000, with \$25,000 more in sight. As he was leaving a check for \$1,000 from a Brooklyn bank was handed to him.

After an organization had been effected and several speeches had been made it was decided that owing to the distance from San Francisco only money could be accepted, as supplies could not well be forwarded across the continent in time to do any good. The centralization of effort in the collection and distribution of contributions was urged. To further this an executive committee was chosen. Several speakers emphasized the need of making the subscription general in character so that small contributors would not be kept waiting until the rich men had sent in their donations and tens of thousands. It was decided that checks should be made payable to the treasurer.

The organization as effected was as follows:  
Chairman, Robert De Forest.  
Vice-Chairmen, A. T. White and Miles Tierney.  
Treasurer, Jacob Schiff; Vice-Treasurer (to act in Mr. Schiff's absence), Mortimer Schiff.  
Executive Committee, Mayor McCallan, Morris K. Jessup, R. W. Hubbard, Miles Tierney, Jacob H. Schiff, Cleveland H. Dodge, Robert W. De Forest, Charles A. Schieren, St. Clair McKelway, Nathan Bigner, Thomas M. Mulry, T. N. Seligman, Alfred T. White, Luke Frankel, Rev. D. J. McMahon and William H. Allen.

## "BIG" INSURANCE BILL PASSES THE SENATE.

(Special to The Evening World.)  
ALBANY, April 20.—The Senate this afternoon passed the "Big" insurance bill by a vote of 42 to 2. The votes against it were cast by Senators Grady and McGarrett.

The Governor sent an emergency message certifying to the necessity for the immediate passage of the bill, but the Senate had to wait for it and held back its vote until he could send it in.

The bill will be sent to him and he will sign it at once. It is the last and most important of the measures recommended by the Armstrong committee, and amends the General Insurance law of the State in every important particular.

## SAFE IN LOS ANGELES.

LOS ANGELES, April 19.—(Delayed.)—Col. and Mrs. D. C. Richardson, of New York, are among the arrivals from San Francisco.

Sunday World Wants Work  
Monday Morning Wonders.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO RAISE HALF MILLION

Organization of New York Merchants, with  
\$150,000 Already Given, Meets to Devise Plans for Relief Work.

This calamity seems unparalleled in the history of the world. The Chamber of Commerce began the collection of a half million dollar fund for the relief of the stricken people of San Francisco this afternoon at a special meeting called for that purpose. Preliminary to the real work of gathering in contributions, \$150,000 was subscribed.

The board room of the Chamber was crowded with New York's foremost financiers, Morris K. Jessup presiding. In beginning the business of the special meeting he said:

"We are facing a great calamity that has overtaken a sister city. We are not here to offer sympathy alone, but to work. Up to date \$150,000 has been subscribed to our fund, but we must feel it a duty as well as a pleasure to make the sum at least \$500,000. Let us keep up the reputation the Chamber has always sustained for being the first to come to the relief in national calamities."

When Mr. Jessup finished talking Charles Stewart Smith introduced the following resolution:

### Mr. Smith's Resolution.

"Whereas, an insupportable calamity of appalling magnitude has overtaken our sister city of San Francisco, causing the death of a large number of its citizens and depriving thousands of homes and the necessities of life,

"Therefore, he resolved that this Chamber desires to convey to the Mayor of San Francisco, and through him to its citizens, expressions of profound sympathy in their terrible affliction. Be it resolved, second, that a special committee be appointed by the President, of which he shall be chairman, whose duty it shall be to receive subscriptions for the relief of the sufferers and to dispose of the same in such manner as the committee may deem it advisable to accomplish the best results.

After this resolution had been passed unanimously Mr. Smith said: "No words can add to the impression the awful facts convey. In some respects

## REFUGEES FROM THE EAST LEAVE SAN FRANCISCO.

CHICAGO, April 20.—The following persons from the East left on the through Santa Fe train from Point Richmond, across the bay from San Francisco, Thursday night at 8 o'clock: Nathan Franko Metropolitan Opera House, New York; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Russell, No. 133 West One Hundred and Thirtieth street, New York; Edwin Goldman, No. 167 East One Hundred and Eleventh street, New York; G. O. Caragon, Jamestown, N. Y.; J. McIntyre, No. 61 East One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, New York; W. C. Lutz, No. 12 Texas Hall "no count," Ford, C. Chapman, No. 145 East Ninety-second street, New York; John Smith, Patterson, N. J., and Mrs. Wile Gene, Fredonia, N. Y.

## IN MEXICO Fried Beans and Red Pepper.

"It is a positive pleasure," writes a San Antonio, Texas, man, "to write what follows, and you may use it at your discretion. It may, I hope, serve to set some other unfortunate on the 'Road to Wellville'."

"I am a travelling man, selling dry goods in Texas and Old Mexico. That alone ought to tell a story of a disordered stomach, a sluggish liver—what I once thought was a hopelessly impaired digestion, and all the rest of the ills that go with a stomach completely wrecked."

"Have you ever eaten a meal in a country town in Mexico? To keep it up for three years would break down any decent American constitution, just as it did mine."

"Just figure, Mr. Grape-Nuts man, one is served three times a day with black Mexican beans, cooked semi-hard in grease, and you eat them, too, because you have to. Along with this you must eat (for you can get nothing else) greasy pork, cooked in the hottest of hot, peppery oil or grease, and drink coffee black as Hades and strong as aqua fortis."

"Now wouldn't that jar your constitution, even if you are from Michigan?"

"Well, it got me, and got me good and plenty. I was so emaciated, weak, hollow-eyed, sallow and what we here in Texas call 'no count' that I seriously thought of collecting my life insurance. This was a year and a half ago. One doctor gave me liver medicine that made me worse, but the next one I struck was what I then called a 'pure food crank'—I don't call him that any more."

"He ordered me to use Postum for coffee and Grape-Nuts for my meals, and mighty little else. I was desperate and followed his directions implicitly. Then I got well. To-day, after 14 months of this diet, I weigh 34 pounds more, have a clear complexion, a good appetite, a good digestion, attend to my business every day, but never go on a trip without carrying my Postum and Grape-Nuts with me." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. There's a reason.

## BODY SAVED FROM THE POTTER'S FIELD.

In a little room on the first floor of No. 340 West Thirty-eighth street sits a woman who is happy in the knowledge that the mad rush for filthy lucre has not destroyed all nobility and generosity in the breasts of New Yorkers. Two days ago Mrs. Stewart entered the office of The Evening World and in trembling tones asked to insert an advertisement, which proved to be a plea for assistance in saving the body of her husband from the Potter's Field. The pitiful account of her sorrows, which was published in The Evening World, attracted the attention of many persons. An undertaker was commissioned by one of these, who refused to give any names, to give the body of Mr. Stewart proper burial. Others have contributed money, which will be turned over to Mrs. Stewart.

## HIGHLANDERS CAN PLAY SUNDAY BALL

Ridgewoods Are Taken in  
National Agreement Despite  
Brooklyn's Protest.

CINCINNATI, O., April 20.—Notwithstanding the protest of the Brooklyn National League Baseball Club, the Ridgewood club was taken under the protection of the National agreement by a decision made by the National Commission to-day.

This means that the Highlanders can play Sunday ball with the Ridgewoods.

## THOUSANDS CARRYING THOUSANDS FROM STRICKEN CITY.

CHICAGO, April 20.—At the offices of the Southern Pacific road, in this city, it was announced to-day that the entire system of the road between San Francisco and the East, with the exception of the coast line between Los Angeles and San Francisco is in complete working order. Since the earthquake nothing has been learned of the conditions on the coast line, but it is believed that it will be in normal condition within the next few days.

Between San Francisco and Oakland the ferries of the Southern Pacific are running on schedule time, and the terminals both in San Francisco and Oakland being in excellent condition, hundreds of refugees are being taken from San Francisco to Oakland, placed upon the trains and carried out to the small towns in the country which are doing all things possible to take care of them. It is impossible to estimate the number of people who have been taken from the city in this manner, but it amounts to many thousands, and the number is augmented with every trip of the ferry-boats.

In addition to the boats owned by the road have been sent to collect all people who were driven by the fire to the northern side of the city and convey them to places of safety.

While traffic to San Francisco is being restored to normal conditions, as far as traffic itself is concerned, all passengers are not allowed to proceed to San Francisco. The railroads are working in conjunction with the government authorities and Gen. Funston has given strict orders that nobody shall be allowed to cross the bay into San Francisco unless it can be shown that he is called there by business of an urgent character.

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BITTLE.....	10c	SPECIAL GEMS.....	19c
PEARS CREAMED.....	15c	HIGH-GRADE CHOCOLATE AND HONORS OR AN ASSORTMENT OF ALL KINDS.....	25c
DATELS.....	15c	CHOCOLATE AFTER DINNER.....	24c
VANILLA CREAM.....	15c	CHOCOLATE AFTER DINNER.....	24c
MEXICAN PEANUTS.....	19c	CHOCOLATE ROASTED.....	40c
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